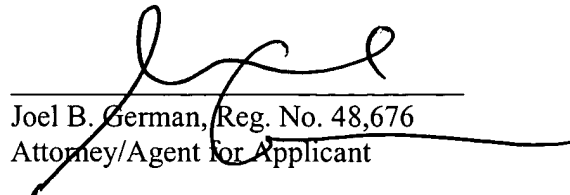


Remarks

The Applicants have canceled in this Preliminary Amendment claims 1-24 and 26 and not introduced any new matter.

Respectfully submitted,



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